

STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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Public Notice

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT DRINKING WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND LOAN

The Nevada Administrative Code (NAC), in Sections NAC 445A.6758 to 445A.67612, inclusive, outlines the environmental review procedures to be followed by the Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). In accordance with NAC 445A.67581, NDEP has determined that the applicant has completed an Environmental Report (ER) that substantially complies with the provisions of NAC 445A.6758 to 445A.67612, inclusive.

Project Name: West Wendover Water System Improvements/Rehabilitation

Project No.: No. 21 Year 2013 Priority List

Applicant: City of West Wendover

Estimated Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Assistance: \$746,435

Several operation and maintenance issues have been identified for up-grade or rehabilitation to improve the sustainability of the water system. The proposed project includes the following three (3) water system improvements:

- 1) Converting the existing Montego Bay storage tank to the primary source of water for its pressure zone by providing a dedicated line from a higher pressure zone to fill the tank 420 LF of 12-inch water main and 4,430 LF of 8-inch water main will be installed along the north side of I-80 connecting an existing 12-inch main at Exit 410 to the Montego Bay tank. This alignment option also provides the benefit of eliminating the dead-end termination on the 12-inch main.
- 2) Replacement of the oldest line in the distribution system the 8-inch steel pipeline 3,600 LF of 8-inch PVC pipeline and 1,500 LF of 12-inch PVC pipeline will replace the old steel pipeline within the current alignment.
- 3) Wendover Boulevard asbestos-cement (AC) pipeline replacement 1,000 LF of existing 16-inch AC pipeline will be replaced with 16-inch PVC pipeline and the existing PRV will be replaced to meet current City standards.

The NACs allow NDEP to utilize an environmental review conducted by another agency as long as the review complies with NDEP's environmental requirements. A portion of this project will be funded by the US Department of Agriculture – Rural Development (USDA-RD), and the USDA-RD also requires an environmental review process. The USDA-RD conducted their review of the ER, consulted with federal and state environmental regulatory and natural resource agencies, the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office, and local tribe and has issued a finding of no significant impact (FONSI). NDEP reviewed the final ER and agency correspondence and concurs with the determinations of the USDA-RD. No further environmental review is recommended and the project is eligible for a FONSI under the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund.

Documentation to support these conclusions is available for public examination at the office of the Division of Environmental Protection, 901 S. Stewart St., Suite 4001, Carson City, Nevada. Comments for consideration on this proposed concurrence with the USDA-RD findings must be submitted by August 27, 2012 to:

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Comments may be submitted by FAX to (775) 687-9510 or by e-mail to mstamate@ndep.nv.gov. Questions regarding this notice may be directed to Michelle Stamates at (775) 687-9331.